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SUBJECT: CONSULAR CONVENTION

1. DEPARTMENT HAS ONE SUBSTANTIVE COMMENT ON CONVENTION
TEXT. LANGUAGE OF ARTICLE 30(1)(F) IS IN APPARENT CONFLICT
WITH 30(1)(E) RELATING TO CERTIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS.
DEPARTMENT PROPOSES FOLLOWING REVISION OF 30(1)(F):
QUOTE (F) TO TRANSLATE LEGAL INSTRUMENTS AND DOCUMENTS
AND TO CERTIFY THE ACCURACY OF THE TRANSLATION, AS WELL
AS TO ISSUE CERTIFIED COPIES OF THESE TRANSLATED DOCU-
MENTS. UNQUOTE. IN THE ALTERNATIVE, DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS
PLACING A PERIOD AFTER THE WORD QUOTE TRANSLATION UNQUOTE
IN LANGUAGE AS IS. IN CONNECTION WITH THIS ISSUE,
DEPARTMENT ALSO PROPOSES ADDITION OF LANGUAGE AT BEGINNING
ARTICLE 28 TO MAKE CLEAR THAT CONSULAR OFFICERS EXERCISE
THE LISTED FUNCTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GRANT OF
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AUTHORITY PROVIDED UNDER THE LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF THE
SENDING STATE. PRECISE LANGUAGE THIS POINT WILL FOLLOW
SEPARATELY.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY' S INQUIRING AT MFA AS TO GOC' S
PROGRESS ON DEALING WITH DUAL NATIONALS ISSUE AND WHEN
MFA BELIEVES NEGOTIATIONS COULD BE CONCLUDED. WOULD ALSO
APPRECIATE EMBASSY' S OWN ESTIMATE OF WHEN CONVENTION
MIGHT BE READY FOR SIGNATURE. FYI: IT IS ESSENTIAL WE
HAVE READING FROM YOU NO LATER THAN JUNE 27 AS TO ISSUES
STILL OUTSTANDING, AND YOUR INDICATION OF BEST MEANS
OF RESOLVING THEM. ALSO NEED BY JUNE 27 ESTIMATE OF
EMBASSY' S ABILITY TO PREPARE CONVENTION FOR SIGNATURE,
PARTICULARLY AUTHENTICATION OF TEXTS. WE ARE PREPARED,
IF NECESSARY, TO DISPATCH LAWYER ANYTIME AFTER JULY 3
TO ASSIST IN RESOLVING REMAINING ISSUES AND PREPARING
TEXT FOR SIGNATURE IN ORDER TO ASSURE ITS READINESS FOR
SIGNATURE. RUSH

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